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SUBJECT: TRIAL OF BSO TERRORISTS

REFERENCE: KHARTOUM 2098

1. ASST. SEC. NEWSOM CALLED IN SUDANESE AMBASSADOR HAMZA SEPTEMBER 19 FOR DISCUSSION POSSIBLE TERRORIST TRIAL POST-PONEMENT REPORTED REFTEL. STRESSING THIS NOT FORMAL DEMARCHE, BUT INFORMAL DISCUSSION, NEWSOM STATED USG WOULD FACE SERIOUS PROBLEM VIS-A-VIS CONGRESS, PRESS AND PUBLIC OPINION IF TRIAL POSTPONED FOR LENGTHY OR INDEFINITE PERIOD OF TIME. HE EXPRESSED PERSONAL HOPE THAT JUDICIAL PROCESS
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WOULD NOT BE LONG DELAYED.

2. IN RESPONSE TO AMBASSADOR HAMZA'S QUESTIONS RE POSSIBLE EFFECTS ON GOS-USG RELATIONS OF FURTHER POSTPONEMENT, NEWSOM STATED THAT FAILURE TO BRING TERRORISTS TO TRIAL WITHIN REASONABLE PERIOD OF TIME WOULD HAVE SERIOUS EFFECT ON RELATIONS.

3. AMBASSADOR HAMZA ASKED WHETHER REPORTED JORDANIAN GOVT DECISION TO RELEASE BSO LEADER ABU DAOUD HAD BEEN LINKED TO POSSIBLE POSTPONEMENT OF TERRORIST TRIALS IN KHARTOUM. ASST. SEC. NEWSOM REPLIED THAT WHILE HE NOT RPT NOT MAKING LINK, HE COULD SEE THAT THERE WOULD BE THOSE WHO WOULD DRAW SUCH CONCLUSIONS.

4. HAMZA INDICATED HE WOULD CONVEY INFORMATION TO HIS GOVERNMENT IMMEDIATELY, IN CONTEXT OF INFORMAL DISCUSSION WITHIN WHICH IT RAISED. RUSH

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